

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1369

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CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGE OVER BRAHAMPUTRA RIVER .

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Assam Rail Passengers' Association has protested against the decision of the Railways to build only a road bridge sans rail track, in place of the projected rail-cum-road bridge across and over the Brahmaputra river;

(b) If so, the reaction of the Railways thereto; and

(c) The reasons for the change in the planned rail-cum-road bridge project ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c): Railways have already taken up construction of Rail- cum-Road Bridge across river Brahmaputra at Bogibeel. National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) has proposed a road bridge near Guwahati adjacent to Saraighat Rail-cum-Road Bridge. There has been no proposal to build another Rail-cum-Road Bridge at this location. The record of each and every reference received is not maintained.